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A fashion plate of youthful bowling — 11-year-old Lynwood Gilland — stole the show at the opening exercises of the newly-formed Memphis (Tenn.) Prep bowling league.

Our November Cover Boy, Lynwood is pictured at the left as he entered the Southern Lanes, carrying his bowling bag with the right hand and in the left he has plenty of books. He is a student at Treadwell School.

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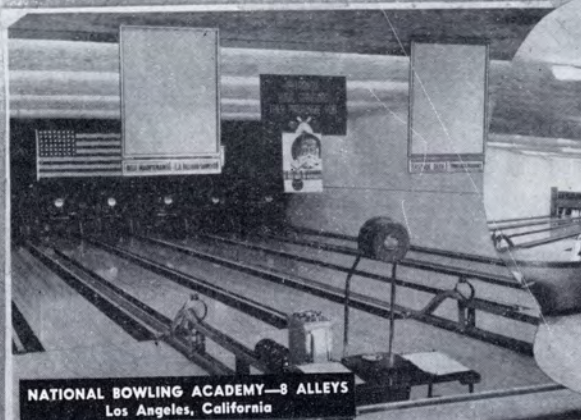


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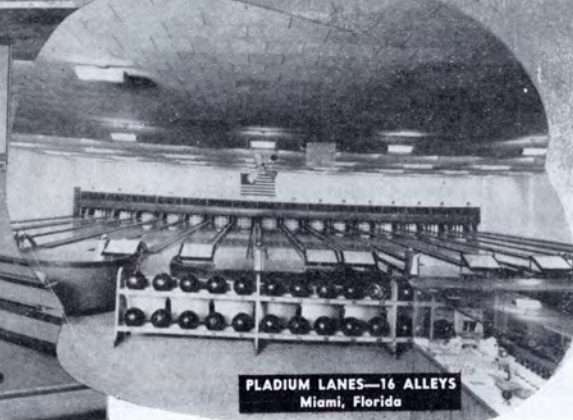
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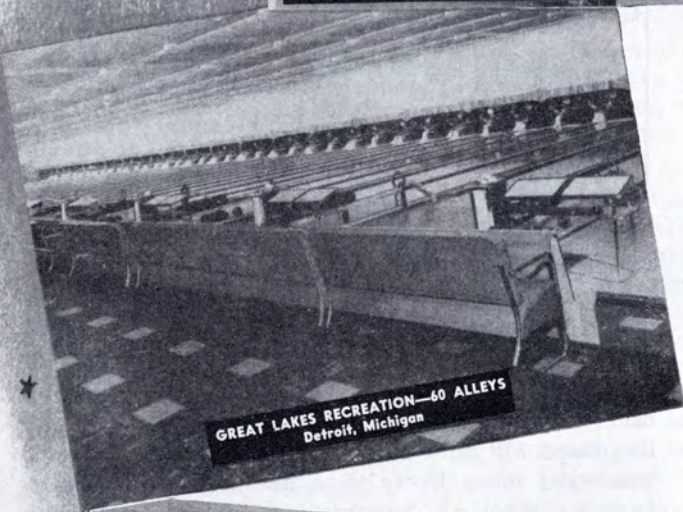
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BOWLING is America's most popular participant sport, and not without reason. It's a game that invites play by everyone of all ages. Successfully combining friendly competition with the companionship of fellow workers and neighbors, it also provides satisfaction in the improvement that is possible through diligent practice and concentration.

Because bowling in general, and good bowling in particular, requires concentration, every care should be exercised in recognizing a fellow bowler's right to that privilege. It boils down to this—the application of etiquette on the bowling lanes.

An important point to remember is not to step in front of a bowler who is about to deliver his ball to claim your ball from the rack. Remain out of his view until he's well on his way to the foul line. He'll appreciate it, too, if you don't talk to him at that time or attempt to distract his attention. And, when delivering your own ball, confine your acrobatics or "body english" to the width of your alley. After the delivery, don't remain standing at the foul line for an excessive length of time, but return promptly to the bowlers' bench.

Upon close observation you'll take notice that pins don't have ears, so the use of abusive or vulgar language will only be heard by the bowlers around you—and more likely than not they won't appreciate it. After all, bowling is a game, with splits, misses and "taps" as much a part of it as the strikes and spares.

These are only a few suggestions; there are many others. But the application of these recommendations will make league night more enjoyable for your fellow bowlers and for yourself, too. If Emily Post were a tenpin enthusiast, we're sure she'd agree.

ABOUT THE BVL

THE goal of the Bowlers Victory Legion is one dollar from each league bowler during the 1945-46 season. It may be paid by the individual bowler on a so-much-a-week basis, or taken out of the league prize fund in one sum. The method is optional.

Fifty per cent of this season's collection will be earmarked for the armed forces overseas and fifty per cent will provide recreational equipment and supplies for rehabilitation hospitals in the United States. Although the war has been won, the need for BVL material among occupation troops is still urgent.

Contact your local BVL chairman for further details. If there is no BVL organization in your community, write to Director Arville L. Ebersole, 1420 New York Ave., N. W., Washington 5, D. C., for information on how you can easily and quickly set up your own local group.

Detroit Gets on the Beam

FRED WOLF "COMES BACK" VIA THE AIRPLANES AS THE TENPIN TALKER

▼ By STEVE CRUCHON

SPINOZA, Durant and Spengler, who shoot a pretty fair average in the Philosopher's league, claim, in effect, that man instinctively shys away from anything new or different—however praiseworthy—and that this stunting rut of sameness is a burden on progress.

To which Fred Wolf, having had some first-hand experience, adds: "Amen!"

It was a little matter of trying to get a sponsor for his radio bowling show that convinced Fred that those guys weren't just whistlin' Dixie and really knew what they were talking about.

Now, as everyone knows, a kegel-ing program in itself is nothing radically new or different. There've been lots of 'em all over. Good ones, too. Detroit has had a couple. But somehow, though okay, the ones in Detroit never really went over and were short-lived. So, naturally, insofar as sponsors in the Motor City were concerned, a bowling program was something to steer clear of, something the public was not quite ready to accept. "Too new and far too different. Not used to 'em yet," they said.

All this made it tough for Fred, who had a really fine show cooked up.

Then, one day after six solid months

Fred Wolf, "The Tenpin Talker"



of beating his brains, legs and voice out to no avail, Wolf stopped in at the E. & B. Brewing Co. offices in Detroit to chat with an old friend, Ken MacDonald—Mr. E. & B. himself.

It developed that MacDonald's particular instincts were a little more on the individualistic side and out of the ordinary, and when in the course of conversation Fred let him know about his radio plans, he told Fred to stop looking around, that E. & B. would go all the way with him.

This astute confidence in a man and his ideas paid off almost immediately for MacDonald and E. & B.—and it appears that the dividends will increase by leaps and bounds as Wolf's airplane show—"The Tenpin Talker"—continues. The 15 minute program, on every Saturday at 7:00 p.m. (EST) over Station WXYZ, was launched Oct. 13, and judging from comments, it'll be a regular feature for a long time.

Why didn't Wolf see MacDonald in the first place?

Well . . . everybody knows that for years Fred was a member of the Stroh Bohemian team, perennial match game champs. As a member of that famous outfit, Wolf had firmly established himself as a kegel-ing star of the brightest magnitude. His exploits as a bowler were indeed many—too many to cite here. But, just to give you a general idea: In 1942 he figured prominently in the Stroh titular triumph over Joe Falcara's Bowlers' Journal squad of New York City, followed suit in the successful defense of that title against Joe Wilman's Chicago Budweisers, and led the team as they knocked off the first annual Victory tournament in Chicago, topping 40 choice combinations. That was the year, too, that he wound up on top of the Detroit Times All-Star Classic heap with a 90-game average of 205, compiled in 30 different houses.

Came 1943, and Fred started right off with a bang again, keeping it up—shooting well over a 200 average in three leagues—'til February . . . when it happened. Out of the clear blue, a sciatic nerve condition affecting his back reared its ugly head and wrenched him abruptly out of the Stroh line-up, but not out of the game altogether because, the way he felt about bowling, nothing short of complete horizontal disability could do that.

Possessing a pleasing voice, an amiable personality, and being immensely popular, Fred naturally turned to MC-ing the town's trundling events. In addition, Joe Norris appointed him Stroh business manager and cut him in on a full share of the team's swag.

Too, there was always the possibility that his back would mend and he'd be able to resume his old position on the Stroh firing line.

But as the months dragged by it became more and more apparent that Fred's days as a bowler were at an end. He gradually grew more active in a managerial role, as MC, and as a noted general speaker-around-lanes.

Then one day last season when Wolf was handling the Stroh-Heil Products match at the Palace Recreation in Detroit, Norman White, WJR executive who was there to witness the games, complimented Fred and asked if he had ever thought about doing radio work.

That was the first little germ . . . and it grew and grew until Wolf became fairly obsessed with the idea.

Literally shooting the works, he tirelessly sought to learn the racket, get hep to the many invaluable little tricks of the trade. He had records made. There was much revision, distilling. But evolving out of it all was a dilly of a program.

In the meantime, MacDonald had come up with a young team that was riding roughshod over all opposition, chalking pin totals that had even caloused old-timers sputtering in their suds. E. & B. was the first team in

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In YOUR Opinion

May Co. Wheel Starts

Last week we filed application for sanction in behalf of the May Co. bowling league with the Denver Bowling Association. We have a mixed group, with eight ladies' teams and six men's teams. Of the 70-odd members and alternates, there are a great number who are bowling for the first time.

We have adhered strictly to ABC rules and regulations and have elected officers and a board of directors, so we are functioning well.

The company furnished monogrammed sport shirts for the men and blouses for the women, and have already invested \$500, with the promise of a dinner at the end of the season, similar to that held last year. At the close of the 1944-45 schedule we distributed \$218 in prize money in

the form of gift certificates at the store.

H. P. LeClair,
Denver, Colo.

A Few Kind Words

Thank you for the September issue of BOWLING, which I have so much enjoyed reading, and was flabbergasted to see my name in it. I'm happy to know that I may receive the magazine, so I have sent my subscription to your office.

Congratulations to the American Bowling Congress for having given to men and women, boys and girls, a clean, healthful, friendly sport in which all may participate during the 12 months of each year.

And for having brought that sport through half a century, until today, as we look into the future and realize the immense growth which lies

ahead, it seems that this is but the beginning of a new era for that best game of all . . . for all . . . bowling!

Miss Billy Lindelof,
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Hope you can find space for the picture in our BOWLING magazine. Boise is a great bowling town and we want the world to know we're in there pitching.

Elmer Pierce,
Boise, Idaho

LaCrosse Throws a Party

I was invited to attend a banquet in honor of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the American Bowling Congress at the Stoddard Hotel, LaCrosse, Wis., on Sun., Sept. 9, sponsored by the various bowling organizations of that city. Charles Allen, president of the Madison Bowling Association, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Blau and I attended the celebration.

It was a grand affair and as fine a banquet as I have ever seen. There were approximately 175 guests. The

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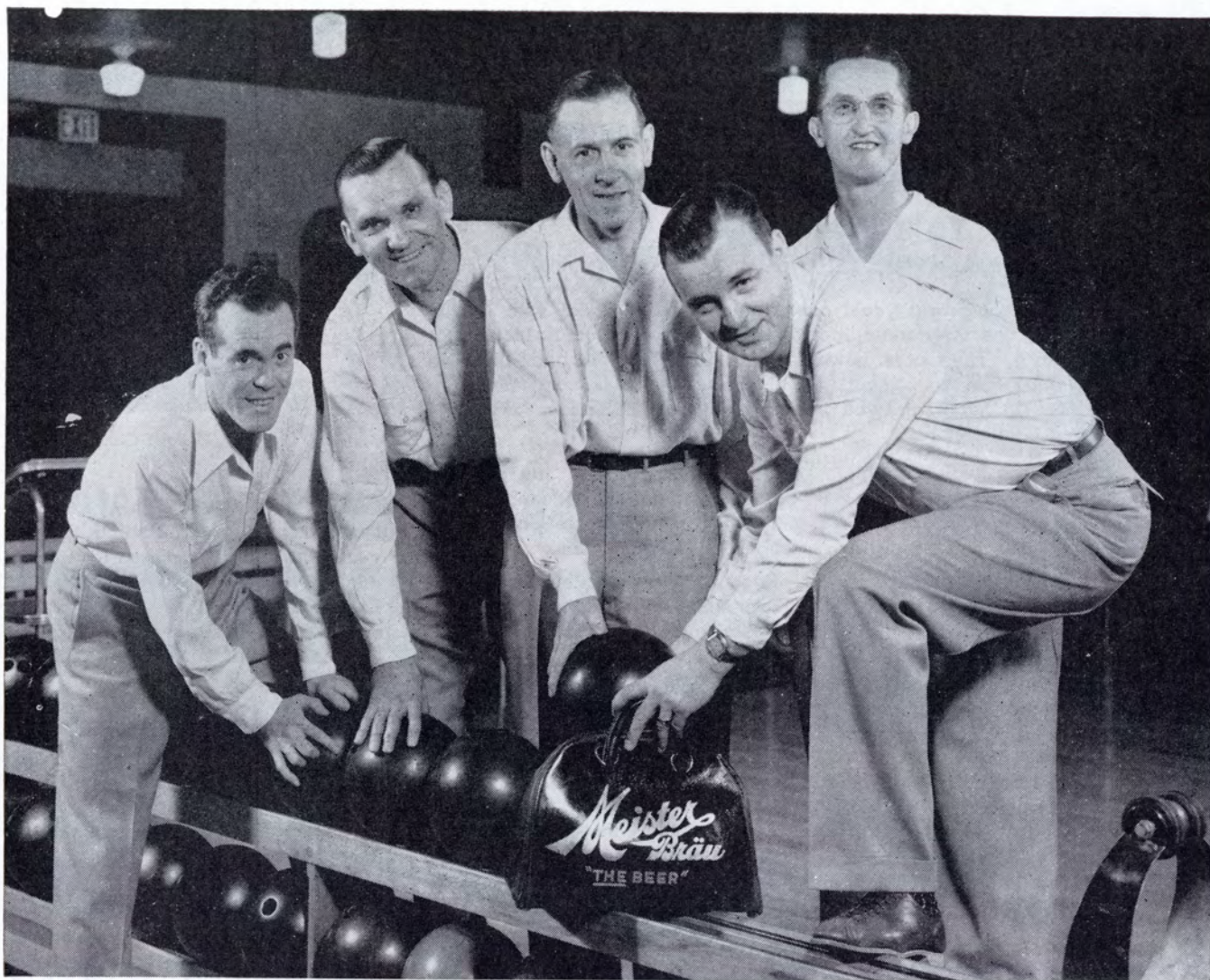
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ATHLETIC DR. BEAL

Bowling and the Ministry Go Hand-in-Hand, Brooklyn "Sky-Pilot" Finds

▼ By PAUL GOULD,

Feature Sports Writer, Brooklyn Eagle



Paul Gould

THE last thing in the world you'd associate Frank Peer Beal with is athletics. Not that this 62-year-old Brooklynite is puny, dyspeptic-looking or anemic. Far from it. The fact is, however, that Frank Peer Beal has the right to prefix his name with the solemn title of "Dr."—for he is minister of the Edgewood Reformed Church, and you wouldn't ordinarily think of a "sky-pilot" in the same breath with sports.

Yet Dr. Frank Peer Beal is in his own right one of the most unusual spiritual leaders in America. Sunday mornings he preaches the Gospel before his congregation; every day in the week he is out practising it—on the athletic field.

It isn't surprising, accordingly, to discover that Dr. Beal is "skipper" of the church bowling team that went through a successful season last year in the mammoth *Brooklyn Eagle* league. So auspicious was the campaign that the church entered two teams, in Class "C" and Class "D," this season, for Dr. Beal is convinced that "bowling builds up a certain camaraderie that no other game can produce."

He ought to know, for his background is shot through with purple patches of athletic achievement. When a mere boy of 14 in Albion, Mich., he invented the game of paddle tennis. It started this way: young Beal was an avid tennis fan, but lacked money to play on hired courts. So with some chicken wire for a net, discarded tapes, wooden paddles cut of inch-thick maple board and an old tennis ball he started to play the game with his brother. That was in 1897. In 1920, after serving as chaplain of the First Division in the AEF, he popularized the game and is today president of the American Paddle Tennis Association, as well as an executive of a business dealing exclusively with games.

His athletic career in school was a brilliant one. At Culver Military Academy he won letters in four major sports and began to bowl for the first time. This was back in 1908, and he sported an average of 198 for 60 games—the high mark of the institution. In college, the University of California, he again proved an all-around figure, but won fame as captain of the baseball team that captured the state college title. After

starring as captain of the nine he graduated and then coached at Culver and in United States Government schools in Tientsin, China.

Prior to the outbreak of World War I, Beal studied for the ministry at Harvard, where he was chess champion, and finished in the runner-up position for the tennis title, won by R. Norris Williams, later national doubles kingpin. He took the handball title in 1914, and while overseas he represented the AEF in the servicemen's tennis championships. As a golfer he retired the Advertising Men's American Legion Post cup after winning three legs on it, and only a few months ago he defeated both his sons in a "Beal Family Tennis Tournament." One of the boys is champ at Poly Prep in Brooklyn.

But it is at bowling that Dr. Beal has most consistently played. He has given up baseball, football, track and handball—but never bowling. Over a period of 37 years it has remained his No. 1 indoor game, and one at which he maintained the same high level that characterized his competition in other pastimes.

After learning the game at Culver, young Beal went over the 200 mark consistently in St. Louis, where he averaged 215 just prior to the first World War. When in the service of the cloth he transferred his activities to New England and he bowled at the YMCA in Boston. But there he shifted from the big pins to candle pins. The transition found him fairly successful, rolling an average of 110.

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With the passing of the years, Dr. Beal discovered that hitting the 60-year-mark did not necessarily signify hitting the downgrade in kegeling. Quite the contrary. After maintaining a 170 average in the *Eagle* league, he was encouraged to compete in the Brooklyn Spring tournament, Class "C," where he ran up an average of 181. And his two highest games of his many years were recorded last season—a 254 and 237, in league competition.

The good minister has discovered that it is far easier to approach his parishioners on a spiritual plane after he gains their friendship on the bowling alleys. As a matter of fact, one of his colleagues is a policeman—Lawrence Bermas—and when Dr. Beal became director of the Brooklyn Division of the New York City Baseball Federation, Bermas was encouraged to inaugurate a league in the Bay Ridge section of the borough.

There is no such thing as a stuffed-shirt, either, when he is with the men, for he is a jolly, likeable personality who likes to think of his congregation as good people and who wants his flock to think of him as being a "good guy," too. He suspects that the 20 years of successful preaching he has put in as head of the church are in no small measure due to the extra-curricular activities, such as bowling. He is one "sky-pilot" with both feet planted firmly on the ground—and on the bowling lanes.

An indication of his ability is provided in the fact that when he was chaplain of the First Division in France, as senior chaplain he was given authority over the doughboys in the outfit. And this included being able to give orders to the commanding general of that division. That general was George C. Marshall, head of the Army's forces in the recent conflict.

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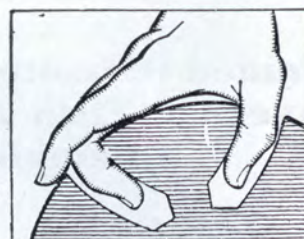
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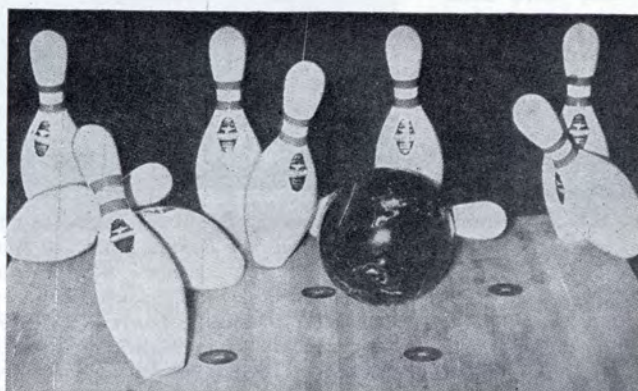


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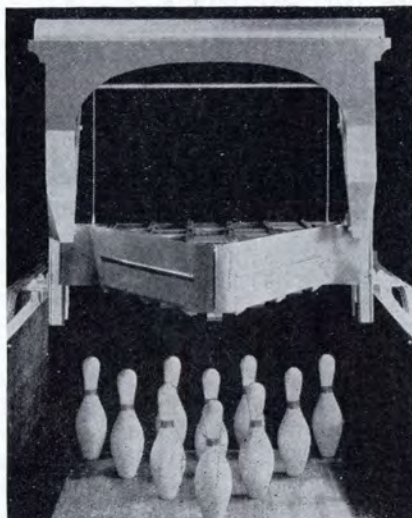
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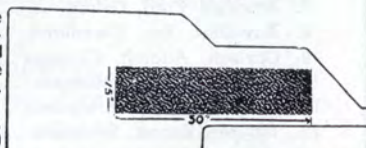


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THE Forty-Third American Bowling Congress tournament which opens at Buffalo, N. Y., on March 14, will bring about the renewal of the 10-Year High Average Contest, one of tenpin's most spectacular competitions.

A most exacting test, the contest runs over a period of 10 consecutive World's Bowling Championships. The distance is a maximum of 90 games, nine of which are rolled annually in the three events—team, doubles and singles—of the Congress' spring classic. Games are rolled on 30 different pairs of alleys, installed especially for the ABC tournament, against new, flat-bottomed pins, under the stress and strain of championship competition.

The contest is strictly unofficial, but has always been regarded as a sure test of a bowler's stamina and skill. Just as the all-events champion has been considered the year's best ABC tournament bowler, the "10-Year" winner is regarded as the best over the long route. His title is a combined total of 10 all-events scores, and as such carries much weight.

Some of the nation's top-flight pin-men have won this honor. Joe Bodis, Cleveland ace, holds the 10-year high average record of 205.76 sticks per game, from 1926 to 1935. Bodis has always placed high on the list of bowling dopesters because of his

achievements during that span of 10 tournaments. The names of Ned Day, Hank Marino and Johnny Crimmins, present incumbent, further illustrate the quality of men who have held the title.

At Buffalo, 20 outstanding bowlers will vie for the "10-Year" crown after a three-year layoff caused by the postponement of the ABC tournament due to war-time conditions. Some observers claim that the period of inactivity will handicap the older men, although the maple maulers themselves deny that four years added to their ages will be detrimental to high scoring.

Luck is often the deciding factor in deciding the winner of an event in which most tenpin luminaries compete. A tap in between strings of strikes; an 8-10 split or a cherry pick may decide the fate of a contestant.

Scores of the 1933 tournament, which drop from each contestant's total, may be of some influence at the Buffalo tourney. Crimmins, who leads the pack with a 203.38 average, loses 1852. To maintain the fast pace which he has established through consis-



ABC Honorary Member George A. Schwabl, above, heads the Buffalo ABC 1946 Tournament Committee. The committee is busy with plans for the first post-war championships at which the 10-Year High Average bowlers, discussed in the accompanying feature, will vie for the mythical "10-Year" crown.

tent pin-toppling he must equal that figure when he takes to the lanes in the Bison City next spring.

The following table discloses the annual scores of the 20 leading bowlers in the 10-Year High Average race and also shows the mathematical handicaps which confront some of the leaders in an all-out effort to keep their names within the select "200" class:

| | 1942 | 1941 | 1940 | 1939 | 1938 | 1937 | 1936 | 1935 | 1934 | 1933 | Total | Ave. |
|--------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------|-------|--------|
| 1. Crimmins, John, Detroit | 1801 | 1828 | 1858 | 1832 | 1708 | 1982 | 1714 | 1902 | 1831 | 1852—18308 | | 203.38 |
| 2. Day, Ned, Milwaukee | 1664 | 1944 | 1922 | 1800 | 1731 | 2014 | 1799 | 1795 | 1769 | 1844—18282 | | 203.12 |
| 3. Varipapa, Andy, Brooklyn | 1852 | 1796 | 1853 | 1867 | 1844 | 1841 | 1749 | 1834 | 1797 | 1810—18243 | | 202.63 |
| 4. Ward, Walter, Cleveland | 1817 | 1706 | 1919 | 1819 | 1789 | 2039 | 1736 | 1806 | 1774 | 1834—18239 | | 202.59 |
| 5. Cole, Ben, Akron | 1747 | 1839 | 1704 | 1843 | 1818 | 1881 | 1874 | 1747 | 1833 | 1836—18122 | | 201.32 |
| 6. Novak, Al, Philadelphia | 1768 | 1912 | 1870 | 1848 | 1809 | 1836 | 1811 | 1777 | 1643 | 1755—18029 | | 200.29 |
| 7. Breckles, Fred, Detroit | 1659 | 1764 | 1802 | 1952 | 1675 | 1864 | 1803 | 1838 | 1842 | 1768—17967 | | 199.57 |
| 8. Kawolics, Ed., Cleveland | *1171 | 1827 | 1845 | 1964 | 1848 | 1880 | 1687 | 1643 | 1758 | *1134—16757 | | 199.41 |
| 9. Carlson, Adolph, Chicago | 1711 | 1913 | 1837 | 1711 | 1725 | 1790 | 1764 | 1871 | 1910 | 1718—17950 | | 199.40 |
| 10. Sparando, Tony, Maspeth | 1687 | 1934 | 1693 | 1916 | 1813 | 1833 | 1930 | 1700 | 1725 | 1684—17915 | | 199.05 |
| 11. Marino, Hank, Milwaukee | 1679 | 1805 | 1734 | 1961 | 1708 | 1876 | 1821 | 1817 | 1618 | 1884—17903 | | 198.83 |
| 12. Maurer, Kermit, Syracuse | 1834 | 1645 | 1796 | 1727 | 1735 | 1805 | 1739 | 1874 | 1820 | 1922—17897 | | 198.77 |
| 13. Wilman, Joe, Chicago | 1897 | 1810 | 1878 | 2028 | 1730 | 1741 | 1675 | 1706 | 1734 | 1667—17866 | | 198.46 |
| 14. Botten, Ed., Union City | 1737 | 1831 | 1828 | 1774 | 1782 | 1790 | 1606 | 1837 | 1800 | 1879—17864 | | 198.44 |
| 15. Winsberg, Dick, Chicago | 1841 | 1683 | 1806 | 1774 | 1756 | 1870 | 1816 | 1779 | 1773 | 1756—17854 | | 198.34 |
| 16. Stecky, Wm., Seville, Ohio | 1834 | 1789 | 1600 | 1740 | 1806 | 1779 | 1935 | 1802 | 1765 | 1803—17853 | | 198.32 |
| 17. Koept, Ed., Cleveland | 1695 | 1972 | 1705 | 1922 | 1623 | 1831 | 1803 | 1801 | 1739 | 1760—17851 | | 198.31 |
| 18. Krumske, Paul, Chicago | 1716 | 1893 | 1783 | 1757 | 1827 | 1758 | 1791 | 1758 | 1701 | 1850—17834 | | 198.14 |
| 19. Baum, Sidney, New York | 1751 | 1782 | 1847 | 1706 | 1874 | 1814 | 1687 | 1929 | 1719 | 1721—17830 | | 198.10 |
| 20. Flesch, Wm., Los Angeles | 1884 | 1908 | 1620 | 1801 | 1701 | 1801 | 1841 | 1805 | 1725 | 1735—17821 | | 198.01 |

* Six games only.

IT'S the Truth

▼ By O. J. LEE

(Editor's Note: In the October issue of BOWLING, O. J. Lee vividly described a series of events which caused him to unceremoniously toss his bowling ball into the Illinois river. The ball was later recovered by a down-state farmer who wrote Lee that he was returning it. This is the second and concluding installment of the narrative.)

A FEW days later the express company delivered the ball to me in Chicago. It was bound in a portion of a grain sack stuffed with corn husks and I pitched it into the closet without opening the parcel.

At that time I was employed by a race track bookmaker as a sheet writer, and with the season drawing to a close in the Windy City the boss suddenly decided to pack up and head for the Fair Grounds in New Orleans.



O. J. Lee

I gathered together all my belongings, except the bowling ball, which no longer was serviceable, and we were soon on our way. I left no forwarding address with the landlady of my Chicago boarding house.

We were in New Orleans for several months and everything was breaking fine. With the end of racing there, the boss said that St. Louis and the World's Fair would be our next stop. One day, before leaving for Missouri I purchased several picture folders of the Mardi Gras to send to acquaintances and the thought occurred to me to remember Mrs. Curtin, my former landlady, with a souvenir.

Upon receiving the folder, she took it upon herself to forward my bowling ball to the New Orleans address which I had noted on the picture cards. But, as I left no forwarding address with the hotel in New Orleans, the express company contacted Mrs. Curtin for information.

Arriving in St. Louis, I sent a World's Fair folder to the lady in Chicago, giving her my hotel address. Things weren't turning out very well in St. Louis, and the boss instructed me to pack my suit case again because we were shoving off for Chicago and Washington Park, where the American Derby was to be run. In the meanwhile, unknown to me, my former landlady notified the express company that I was in St. Louis, but we had vanished before the ball arrived there.

Back in the Windy City, the boss and I checked in at the Plaza Hotel, conveniently located near the track. The first Sunday after our arrival I phoned Mrs. Curtin, just to say hello. She asked if I had received my bowling ball.

Four days late a notice came from the express company, advising me that they were holding a package for me at their main office. Not knowing what it was, I instructed them to forward it to the hotel.

That evening the desk clerk informed me that he had taken care of the package and that it was in my room. As I opened the door, lo and behold, there was my old bowling ball, still sewed up in the grain sack and plastered with stickers and tags. I called the clerk to find out what the charges were. His reply—\$27.82—floored me.

The very next day I took the ball, sack and all, and forwarded it prepaid to the Smithsonian Institute in the nation's capital. I enclosed a note of explanation, saying that it was a wooden cannon ball uncovered near Vicksburg, Miss., which was used by the Confederate defenders of that city during the siege of Vicksburg.



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KNOTTY PROBLEMS

League Championship Certificate to Sponsors

A.H.
By Johnson

LAST spring, while analyzing Rule 1 of ABC rules and regulations defining a bowling league, three words in particular . . . "annual team champion" gave me an idea. Why not provide each league with a League Championship Certificate to be presented to the sponsor of the winning team? The ABC awards a handsome trophy to the sponsor of the team winning the ABC World's Bowling Championship. Since more than 18,000 leagues are affiliated with the Congress, the awarding of a trophy to each league was out of the question because of the expense involved, but the Congress could afford to purchase an attractive certificate to be provided each league. And—who is more deserving of such certificate than the sponsor?



A. H. Johnson

Upon presenting the idea to Secretary Elmer H. Baumgarten it was his suggestion that a number of secretaries of the larger city associations be contacted and their opinions obtained. Their reaction was so overwhelming in favor of preparing a certificate for the 1945-46 season, that Secretary Baumgarten no longer hesitated to authorize us to proceed with designing the League Championship Certificate.

It was originally intended that the League Championship Certificate be sent to the secretary of each league at the time application is filed for an ABC sanction, with the understanding that the league secretary would fill out the certificate at the conclusion of the season, as soon as the name of the team champions was definitely assured.

Since then, suggestions have come forth that a very Knotty Problem can be solved for the city association secretary if the new League Championship Certificates are sent direct to his office. The thought is to use these certificates as a means of obtaining the final team standings and individual averages established in each league in the city association.

Many league secretaries fail to realize the importance of these averages to the city association secretary's office, but perhaps through a systematic arrangement of issuing the certificates through the association secretary, there is every likelihood that the city association will be able to obtain a complete list of each league's team standings and individual averages.

No league secretary will want to be responsible for having slighted the team sponsor, if he has the welfare of his bowling league at heart. The

sponsors?" In leagues operating without team sponsors, the certificate is to be issued to the individual in charge of the winning team, the team captain. No league will be overlooked in the providing of a League Championship Certificate. Some bowling alley operators will most likely offer to allow team captains to post their certificates on the walls of the bowling establishment where the league championship was won.

This new feature of providing each sanctioned league with a League Championship Certificate will be considered as another service of the ABC. It is hoped that it will become a permanent service of the Congress, the same as the many others now provided by the parent body.



good will of the team sponsor means much to every bowling league. A suggestion to be considered before presenting the certificate to the sponsor, is for the league to purchase a suitable frame in which to insert the certificate, so that the sponsor will more fully appreciate the award.

A question which will no doubt be raised frequently, "What about a league in which no teams have any

Many leagues will undoubtedly wish to have the new certificate on hand at the time their annual banquet is held at the close of the league schedule, as the presentation of the certificate to the team sponsor would be most appropriate then. For this and other reasons, the certificate must therefore be filled out in the locality where the league bowls its schedule.

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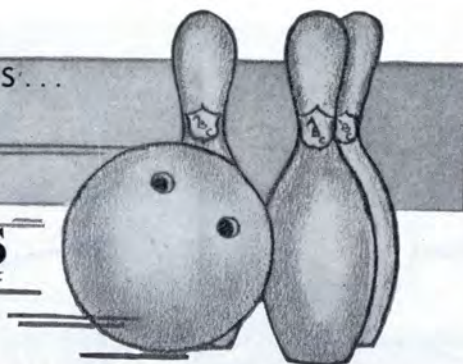
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▼ By VERLIN GATZOW



WE DOFF OUR FEDORA this month to the Industrial Recreation Association, with headquarters in Chicago, for a swell promotional piece . . . a sport-folder published in the interest of better industrial bowling. The attractive brochure is a two-color job, neat as a pin, that offers tips on the fundamentals of the game, delivery, how to roll a hook, picking up spares and etiquette. Besides, there's a bowling dictionary, important rules, general suggestions and a series of "don'ts" . . . with appropriate illustrations throughout. If you're one of the lucky ones to get a copy of the IRA folder, you'll know why we're bubbling over.

Some thoughtful person down Kansas City way, we suspect it was Executive Director Bill Kuster, sent us a copy of the K. C. All-Star wheel's official schedule and program. Forty-eight pages and cover, it represents a job well done. Most of the All-Star pin men, so we've been told, will make a bid for fame at the 1946 World's Bowling Championships in Buffalo, come next spring.

During a recent session of the Madison (Wis.) Classic league, veteran Tony Schwoegler and his two sons, Connie and Mel, each connected for 626. All bowl on different teams. We're leaving ourselves wide open, but . . . can anyone top that?

Remember Your Sponsor

Elmer Fisher, Springfield (Ill.) Bowling Association secretary, is again carrying on as editor of the *Senior Scandals*, a newsy, processed publication of the Senior Recreation league. In an issue a few weeks back, Elmer reminded the Senior sockers, "Also remember our team sponsors whenever we have an opportunity to patronize them. I'm sure we can do as well if not better with them than we

can elsewhere." Nicely said, Brother Fisher.

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the American Bowling Congress was celebrated in grand style down Kansas City way at the Pla-Mor Ballroom. There was dancing, a floor show and prizes galore were offered to those who attended the "ringing in" of a new championship season. What's more, the party was free to all ABC-sanctioned pin shooters.

Still another celebration . . . and we're trying not to miss a one . . . was held at Rogers City, Mich. Otis Pollock, secretary of the Rogers City Bowling Association, dropped a line to say that the Congress' founding was observed by staging a banquet and card party, an affair which was highly successful.

George Kosmos, the Seattle (Wash.) ten-pin vet, entered a new field of activity when the Washington State Athletic Commission granted him a license to hold boxing shows in Seattle, starting last month. An old bowling friend of Kosmos, ABC Executive Director Les Francis, Spokane, is chairman of the WSAC.

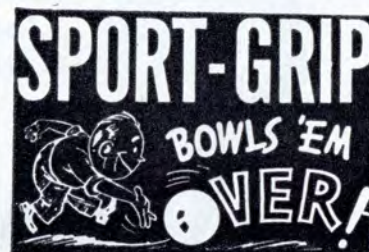
More Publicity Promised

One of the newest tenpin tabloids to come our way is the *Lake County Bowling News*, published weekly by LeRoy Tucker at Waukegan, Ill. Earle Harvey, whose cartoons and sketches are featured in *BOWLING*, provides the appropriate artistic touch to the sheet. Still another bowling publication, the *Kegler*, made its debut in Seattle, Wash., with Blaine Freer as editor, and over in the Corn Country, M. W. Robinson produces a very worthwhile four-page weekly, *Bowl-Lingo*, especially for pinsters in and around Burlington, Ia.

We're grateful to Secretary Fred Staats, of the New Braunfels (Texas) Bowling Association for this highlight. After five weeks' bowling in the City loop the Lone Star Beer quint was at the top of the eight-team heap with eleven victories against four defeats. Budweisers were in the second rung, with 10 "wins" and five losses. The remaining six teams were scaled downward, each one game behind the other, with Rupper Auto Co. holding the rest up, scoring four triumphs and taking it on the chin 11 times.

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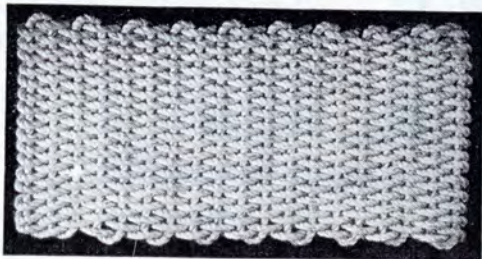
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operator in that city. Andorka opened his pin plant in 1905 and some years ago retired in favor of his four sons. When three of them were called into service, the senior Andorka resumed an active role in the management of his recreation, assisted by his fourth son, James, and his daughters.

It's a woman's world, no doubt. When the four-team American Bowling Congress Office wheel opened its schedule at Bensinger's Oriental Lanes in Milwaukee, a mere whisp of femininity was head and shoulders above the pack with a thumping 527 series. The league, by the way, is a mixed set-up, with three men and two girls on each squad; and the young lass who led the field on opening night was Florence Heinzelman, the boss's (E. H. Baumgarten), secretary.

Hey, Fellas! What's Wrong?

What's this? At press time we've had only one triplicate to report, submitted by Merle E. Howard, statistician of the Crown City loop in Cortland, N. Y. Merle tells us that Bill Gould, a Crown City pinster, connected for a trio of 158's in regular league play. Help! Help! We want to hear about those three-of-a-kind tallies, as well as any and all other items worthy of note.

Although triplicates were scarce, Secretary Bob Miller of the Kalamazoo (Mich.) Independent league came through with a bushel of something new—"duplicates."

Miller reports that on the Kalamazoo Recreation team, lead-off man Len Godfrey started with 166-166, followed by Ed Baker who had 170-170, and in anchor position Earl Barlow skidded along with 138-138 on his first two tries. Unless you, the readers, demand that we publish duplicate scores, we'd just as soon string along with only the triplicates—but we thought that the trio of scores reported by Bob Miller did present something of an oddity.

Christmas So Soon?

Santa Claus came early this year for the girls who bowl under the sponsorship of J. Neal Palmer, Dallas, Texas. Palmer was on hand at Boedeker's Recreation one October evening to watch his gals in action, paying them 10 cents for every spare, and two-bits for each strike.

Was his face RED? Johnny Underwood, bowling anchor in league play at the Glendale Academy, Los Angeles, needed a double and a six count in the tenth frame to win for his team. Presto,



and Johnny had the two-bagger. Amid the cheers of his teammates, who also took a few digs at the anchor man of their opponents for not being able to stand the pressure, Underwood rolled his last ball . . . for a three-pin count!

Frank Pikel, who formerly worked behind the counter at the Orpheum Alleys in Springfield, Ill., and who did a little fancy kegeling in the Senior Recreation and Lincoln leagues, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroism in action at Baguio on the island of Luzon. An automatic rifleman in a forward position, Frank steadily held his exposed post in the face of three unsuccessful banzai attacks by a force of 80 Japs. He's been overseas 27 months.

E. J. Belisomo, president of the Memphis Bowling Association, was among this month's visitors at ABC headquarters in the Brew City. Another welcome guest was Ted Penfold, Compton, Calif., a former Chicagoan who distinguished himself some years back as a member of the famed Sir Clifton bowling team.

And away out in Los Angeles, where the ABC tournament will be staged in 1947 (remember), the good old Southern California Bowling News reports that one of the natives, Harry Ohlson, rolled an all-spare game at the National Recreation. Then, to keep the novelty going, Harry came back with a Dutch 200 game, alternating strikes and spares.

Across the country, in another famous orange state (Florida, in case you don't catch on quick), an interesting 16-page booklet, *Tenpin Tips*, is making the rounds. It's a souvenir of the Earl Gresh Wood Parade, St. Petersburg, and very worthwhile.

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KEESLER FIELD LEADS THE WAY

IN SEPTEMBER, 1942, soon after the activation of Keesler Field, a dozen ABC-regulation bowling alleys were rushed to Mississippi for installation and subsequent use by the Army's "birdmen." Open daily from five until eleven o'clock, the battery of 12 lanes soon became a haven for Keesler bowling addicts and an ever-growing crowd of enthusiastic followers.

Along with regular training, back in the dark days of '42, an athletic schedule was arranged for Keesler men, including the organization of bowling leagues. A request for complete information on the organization and conduct of tenpin circuits was dispatched to the American Bowling Congress and, before long, bowling schedules were set up for both officers and enlisted men. The Officers' loop, still at its war-time strength of 20 teams, has kept the Keesler Field pin plant in full operation on Mondays and Fridays. Enlisted men have, for more than three years, maintained two and three leagues in operation. All units have been sanctioned by the Congress.

With the ABC observing the Fiftieth Anniversary of its founding, Keesler men decided it would be appropriate to give recognition to that event. And so, at the conclusion of

the spring league schedule, 75 Air Corps bowlers arranged a buffet dinner at the Gulf Hills Country Club in Ocean Springs, Miss. Refreshments were provided and a novelty orchestra was on hand for entertainment.

Prizes were distributed to the winning teams and individuals of three leagues by Major Edwin C. Scott, former president of the winter league, and Major L. A. Petersen, who now presides. The awards consisted of individual trophies, sterling silver engraved plates, compots and cream and sugar sets, valued at over \$300. All teams received one dollar for each game won during the season.

The championship officers' team, identified as the Specialists of the Red league, was a six-man outfit. Captains Christian Kenfield and Howard Selm, Major Charles Moore, and Lieutenants Vernon Magee, William

Shaw and Robert W. Leigh were on the Specialists' roster. With a 175 average, Captain Donald Lytle paced the Keesler kegelers, with Major Mahlon Brackney close behind in runner-up position at 174. Lieutenant Daniel Meshnick added up 640 sticks for the highest three-game set, and Lieutenant Harold Shipman took single game honors with 243.

A booster of athletics and a better-than-average bowler, as his 175 final standing attests, Captain Lytle lauded the role of bowling during the time of mobilization. "We feel," he said, "that the great interest in bowling at this station has gone far to provide recreation of a type that promotes team spirit and sportsmanship which is of great value to the morale of the station." He added that the "interest and cooperation" of the American Bowling Congress have been of great benefit.

'FRISCO BOWLERS FROLIC AT ANNIVERSARY PARTY



"Our party was a howling success," wrote ABC Executive Director Jack C. Major, referring to the affair conducted by the San Francisco Bowling Association on Sept. 8, in celebration of the Congress' Fiftieth Anniversary. The photo above shows a por-

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Chicago's Meister Brau Squad Makes Bid for Crown

▼ By SEYMOUR SHUB,
Bowling Editor, Chicago Sun

DON'T sell Chicago short on its chances of annexing the national match game team championship when the Meister Brau's, one of the more formidable bowling aggregations to perform in the Windy City, take on the title holders next January. Opposition will come from either the Stroh Bohemians, the king pins, or the powerful E. & B.'s of Detroit, depending, of course, on what happens during their title showdown Nov. 17-18-24-25. Dates for the Meister Brau challenge are Jan. 12-13-19-20.

If ever a team rated the title bid it's the Meister Brau's, judging from their record in the severest form of competition offered in the Middle West. As a unit they have taken every important event of consequence, and as individuals have done right well, too.

They are going to take up a national match game title chase which also may bring them the doubles crown and, perhaps, even the individual throne. Furthermore, some of them still remember the valiant bid the Budweisers made against the Stroh's in their title showdown a few years ago and this time they aim to win.

Let's look briefly at the Meister Brau record:

At present they are seeking their third successive championship in the powerful Classic league. They set a new record by carrying off the city crown twice in a row and then, last season, added the state title to their collection.

In March, 1944, the Meister Brau's scored a brilliant triumph in the Victory team tournament, a classic which

attracted 48 top-flight squads, including the Stroh's. When travel limitations and restrictions prevented the '45 renewal of the Victory, a Chicago match game championship test was staged and a spectacular performance brought them that title, too.

And this is only their third season as a unit, a club composed of Bill Hargadon and Paul Krumske, co-captains; veteran Frank "Bud" Wright, Harry Lippe and Joe Sinke. Eli Maricich, another Chicago veteran, was added as the sixth man this year to fill in especially for doubles and singles competition in a heavy tournament slate. They have averaged approximately 1000 in the three-year span.

Any one from this group, but particularly Krumske, Sinke and Hargadon, is a serious threat for the individual match game title. Krumske and Sinke will bowl Wally Reppenhagen of the Stroh's and Bill Kenet, now with the E. & B.'s, for the national two-man match game crown next February in a home-and-home tilt.

Krumske, 33 years old, held the individual match game crown for a

brief span in 1944, wresting the honor from Ned Day in a challenge match before the last All-Star tournament. He is rated as one of the best anchor men in the business, especially when the chips are down. He has bowled four perfect games and many others of 279 and up.

Sinke, 36, helped make bowling history for the old powerful Pabst team. He has pitched two perfect games and last December finished fourth in the All-Star meet.

Hargadon, 37, was a member of the Budweiser's when they won the 1942 American Bowling Congress world's championship. He also was with that team in the title bid against the Stroh's and is widely recognized as a standout competitive bowler. He also boasts two 300 games.

Wright, 50, came to the Meister Brau's after spending many years with the Mineralites. He carried off first half individual laurels in the Classic league last season, hitting at a 200 clip over 54 games. Two 300 games are credited to him.

Lippe, 33, carries the reputation of seldom missing cashing in any tournament. He helped the Meister Brau's to the Classic title last year by firing a high 299 single in the playoffs against Thompson's Restaurants. He can also claim a pair of perfect games.

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Bowlers' Quiz...

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. When do entries close for the 1946 American Bowling Congress tournament, scheduled at Buffalo, N. Y.?

A. Entries must be post-marked no later than midnight, Feb. 1, 1946, and must be accompanied by remittance in full. Holders of advance reservations, however, must forward their entry blanks and fees by Jan. 6, 1946, or otherwise forfeit the reserved dates.

Q. What is the entry fee to the ABC? Is there any additional charge for bowling?

A. The entry fee remains at five dollars per man for each event, i. e., \$25 for a five-man team, \$10 for each two-man team, and five dollars for each entry in the individual event. The fee covers the cost of bowling and admission to the tournament build-in on dates of schedule.

Q. After an entry has been filed, may a substitution be made?

A. The team captain, or his authorized representative, may make substitutions to take the places of those whose names are entered on the entry blank but who are unable to attend or compete in the tournament at scheduled time. When a captain makes a substitution in the two-man and/or individual events it must be with the consent of the individual originally entered. Substitution affidavits are provided for such cases.

Q. What equipment must an ABC-tournament bowler have?

A. Each team must have at least three bowling balls to be used in bowling their scheduled games; each two-man team must have two bowling balls, and each individual must have a bowling ball for his exclusive use to bowl his scheduled individual event games. Entrants must also wear shoes which will not mark the runways, thus detracting from the possibility of other bowlers taking advantage of the usual ideal conditions.



▼ By FERD LIPOVETZ, Grand Pin Buoy

ONE THOUSAND! Here's the gang that hit this Life Membership Score. We're on our way to Membership Hill No. 1100 and the bottom of the "700" barrel looms over the horizon. Who's next!

CANADA. Winnipeg—Chas. R. Gibson (742-1915).

FLORIDA. Miami—W. J. Ehrensing (732-1928), Wm. S. Root (725-1945).

ILLINOIS. Peoria—Dr. E. C. Kelly (729-1928).

INDIANA. Fort Wayne—Earle Kepfer (714-1945).

IOWA. Spencer—Geo. Nieman, Sr. (715-1941).

KANSAS. Iola—J. R. Billbe (700-1945).

LOUISIANA. Jack C. Uber (749-1938).

MICHIGAN. Ironwood—Secondo J. Violletta (707-1935).

MINNESOTA. Minneapolis—Wm. E. Fuhrmann (701-1942), Raymond J. Klempke (710-1943), Joseph S. Wojciak (712-1943); Winona—Oswald F. Koetz (703-1940), Clarence M. Rivers (702-1945).

MONTANA. Butte—D. J. Feene (709-1940).

NEBRASKA. Omaha—Harld F. Kenney (703-1945).

NEW JERSEY. Atlantic Highlands—Edw. J. Bahr (709-1941); Bay Highlands—Geo. Brown (*); Camden—John Iacovelli (719-1945); Elberon—John McQuire (710-1941), Geo. H. Penterman (707-1945); Long Branch—James F. Perry (751-1937), Daniel E. Dillione (733-1938); Morgan—Joseph Poulson (714-1944); Oakhurst—J. Russell Hibbets (704-1941); Red Bank—Nirdy Aschettiono (1945), Joseph P. Menzopane (753-1942); Salem—B. Gordon Bennett (714-1945), Edgar W. Sayre (700-1945); Schrewsbury—James Acerra (*).

NEW YORK. Brooklyn—Sylvester Lewan (706-1931); Endicott—Ralph Cheer (*), Charles Haskins (739-1939), David Shapiro (719-1941); New York City—Geo.

Beardsworth (711-1937), Tom Beltramba (744-1945), John Berchielli (728-1943), Leo Eigner (734-1932), Harry Mulvaney (704-1934), Edw. Pyzybyszewski (704-1945), Richard F. Tumm (712-1931); Vestal—Richard Mooney (719-1942).

NORTH DAKOTA. Grand Forks—Herb Tinnes (702-1941).

OHIO. Dayton—Ray Hardin (705-1944), Curley Powell (720-1945); Chickasha—Lester Seago (716-1945).

PENNSYLVANIA. Erie—Wm. W. Barker, Sr. (712-1939), Bill Eckard (700-1945), H. Eugene Kelley (700-1942), Ducky Newcomer (727-1939), Bernard Vornhagen (719-1942); Lansdowne—Charles Parks (702-1945); Philadelphia—Geo. R. Fogg (752-1945), Earle Galbraith (734-1945), Frank Greifenstein (703-1944), Wm. F. Krack (759-1944), Fred Salici (709-1945), Sam Solomon (726-1944), Edgar Winchester (739-1944).

WASHINGTON. Tacoma—T. J. Anderson (706-1939).

WEST VIRGINIA. Fairmont—(726-1945).

WISCONSIN. Chippewa Falls—Clark F. Bennett; La Crosse—Frank N. Heilman (708-1939); Madison—Le Roy E. Arster (708-1925), James B. Grady (711-1938), Chas. H. Kennison (700-1938), Chas. B. Morris (705-1935), Raymond Soehnlein (755-1941); Middleton—Joseph Kainz; Waunakee—Walter Kainz.

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TENPIN TALKER

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years to threaten the Stroh supremacy. Though friendly enough off the lanes, the on-alley rivalry between the two teams was enough to generate sparks.

Wolf was still affiliated with the Stroh clique and, of course, couldn't even think of obtaining E. & B. as a sponsor for his air interests. And the Stroh Co., well, they already had a big radio show.

The current season, however, brought about a change in circumstances that left the 34-year-old curly-haired personality kid free to tie up with MacDonald and E. & B. When Wolf's sciatic condition remained such this past summer that he was forced to abandon all hopes of returning to the tenpin wars, he severed relations with Stroh's. Needless to

say, his former teammates wish him the best of luck in his new endeavors.

Fred didn't hesitate a twinkle to give up a well-paying job as general foreman at the Chrysler Tank Arsenal when his radio chance came.

YOUR OPINION

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tables were decorated with flowers, bowling pins and American flags. At each setting a unique place card could be found—representing a bowling alley, with a ball and one pin at the pit end. Napkins were of different colors, emblazoned with the Fiftieth Anniversary emblem. The programs were souvenirs well worth keeping.

Mayor Joseph Verchota welcomed the guests, and in his speech praised bowling as a great democratic game.

Brief addresses were made by representatives of the LaCrosse, Winona and Madison Bowling Associations, and awards were made to various men and women bowlers. I had the pleasure of presenting the ABC Award of Merit to Pete Wais and Bob Lowell, who finished the 1944-45 season tied at 289 each.

William N. Blau,
Madison, Wis.

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Dec. 13, 1944—I. Moynihan, 708.

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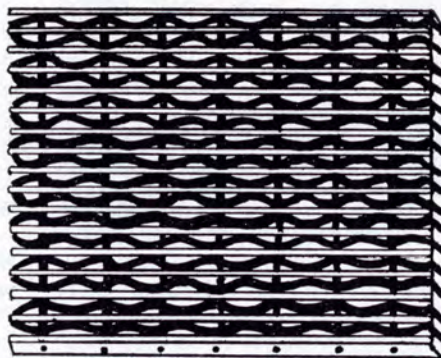
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Grandfathers Vie For Tenpin Honors

There have been father and son tournaments and brother tournaments. But at the Ideal Recreation in Seattle, on Oct. 21, an event was staged exclusively for grandfathers.

It was a handicap affair, based on age and the number of grandchildren each contestant had. Entrants received 50 per cent of the difference between their established average and 200 scratch, plus three pins for every grandchild and one pin for every year over 50. The system gave oldsters an even chance with the recent grandfathers.

A seven-game affair, the tournament was conducted across a battery of 14 lanes. Although results were not available at press time, Bill Leftwich of Seattle was the defending champion.

Pin Tabloid in Debut

A weekly tenpin tabloid, the *Columbus Bowling News*, made its first appearance in Ohio's capital city in October, inaugurated by Leon and Eddie Fisher.

Leon, before his more-than-four-year stint in the Army, from which he was recently released, did publicity for RKO Theatres. Eddie is a former sports writer who was employed by the Army Engineers during the war and who became a bowler in the Columbus Army Engineers league.

The paper is designed especially for the estimated 15,000 league and open play bowlers in Columbus and Central Ohio.

No Improvement Here

Gordon Erickson, Bessemer (Mich.) bowler, has consoled himself with that fact that while he's not getting any better at pin spilling, he's not getting any worse, either.

Rolling in the Bessemer National league, Gordon fired a 623 set to open the 1944-45 season. A few weeks back, at the start of the 1945-46 schedule of the Industrial wheel in nearby Wakefield, Erickson held his own with (have you guessed it?) . . . a 623!

Jacksonville Mayor Opens Forsyth Wheel's Thirty-Second Season



The Hon. C. Frank Whitehead, mayor of Jacksonville, Fla., tosses out the first ball, as league members look on, to officially open the thirty-second season of the Forsyth loop.

SMALL in number, but possessing the power of an atom bomb, the Forsyth league of Jacksonville, Fla., opened its thirty-second season of competition on Sept. 27, at the Bowling Center of South Jacksonville. Organized in 1914, the Forsyth wheel is believed to be the oldest in the Southland and one of the most ancient in the nation.

Consisting of only four five-man teams, league sponsors include Jax Brewers, Coca Cola, King Edward Cigars and The Flag, a large bowling establishment in Jacksonville Beach. Still active this season is veteran George Weinberg, cashier of the Barnett National Bank, a charter member who has appeared on the Forsyth roster every year since the beginning.

Mayor C. Frank Whitehead appeared on the opening night program to roll the first ball, collecting an eight pin count. Also participating in the festivities were sponsors of the competing teams, who engaged in an impromptu match just before the loop started play.

After the shooting began, Johnny Brannick and Rube Felton of the Jax Brewers stole the show. The Brewers set up a single game (995) and four-game mark (3855) which should stand quite a while in the circuit's record book. Brannick paced the sharpshooters with a terrific 880 total, accounted for on games of 207, 246, 202 and 225. Felton, a sailor from Pensacola, garnered 247, 206, 191 and 216 for a torrid 860.

League officers are: C. J. Gunti,

treasurer of John H. Swisher Cigar Co., president; C. A. Kimbel, auditor with the vast DuPont organization, vice president; M. S. Niehaus, treasurer of Gulf Life Insurance Co., treasurer; Frank Winchell, manager of the Jacksonville Tourist and Convention Bureau, secretary. George Hodan, former bowling alley operator and organizer of the Forsyth wheel, although retired from an active role, serves as president pro-tem and is present at each weekly session.

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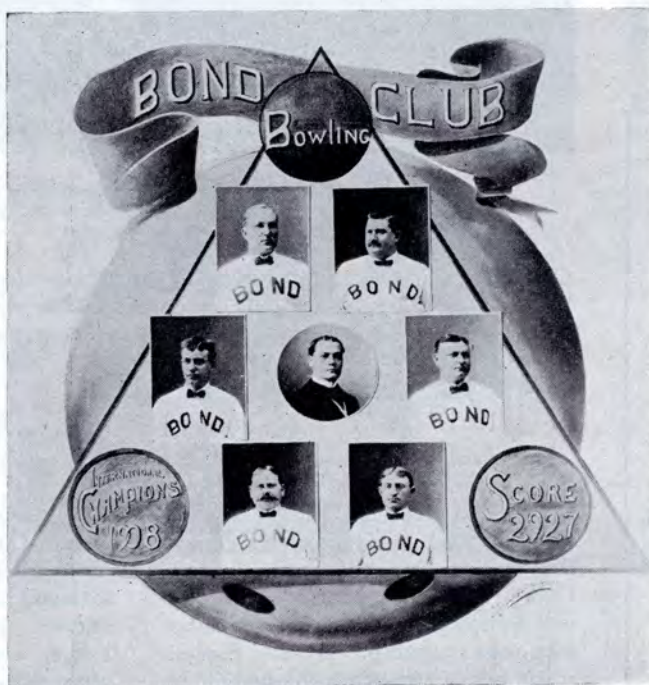
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Legislative Highlights Tracing the Development of YOUR American Bowling Congress

- 1896—Constitution of ABC adopted by delegates representing 17 leagues from New York, Brooklyn, Astoria, N. Y.; Lowell, Mass.; Cincinnati and Buffalo. Thomas Curtis, "father of bowling," was elected first president.
- 1897—Dr. H. Timm elected president.
- 1898—Dr. H. Timm re-elected.
- 1899—Gutter depth set at two inches. Leather permitted on kickbacks. Foul line width set at one inch. Distance from foul line to center of No. 1 pin spot defined as length of alley. Ball rolled before pins were spotted to be called a "dead ball."
- 1900—Annual convention at Baltimore. Permitted bowlers to be removed prior to ninth frame. Leagues allowed to compute averages according to their own systems. ABC dues increased to \$2 (per league). Suggested rule changes must hereafter be submitted in writing 30 days prior to annual meeting. New rules to take effect on Sept. 1 following enactment. Constitution, rules, regulations copyrighted. First ABC tournament planned; Chicago delegates posted \$1000 and were awarded the event.
- 1901—ABC tournament held at Welsbach Building in Chicago on six newly-constructed alleys. Godfrey Langhenry elected third president. New constitution adopted.
- 1902—To be certified, alleys must pass inspection and conform to ABC standards. Cost set at \$1. Record scores recognized only on certified alleys. National, city and state titles must be decided on total pins.
- 1903—Minimum pin weights set at 3 pounds, 2 ounces. Circumference of bowling balls, 27 inches. Langhenry constitution adopted. ABC dues changed from \$2 (per league) to \$1 per team. Congress incorporated under laws of Illinois. Local ABC tournament companies must post \$2500 for prizes. Secretary ordered to publish constitution and by-laws in book form.
- 1904—ABC members eligible to any bowling office. Local associations given right to regulate weight of bowling balls in their territory. \$100 prize established for ABC all-events.
- 1905—Secretary authorized to answer all letters upon receipt instead of holding them until the convention. Pool and book-making prohibited in tournament building. New York bowlers insisted upon 16-pound standard weight bowling balls.
- 1906—Secretary directed to print tournament record book with all scores and prize list. Congress printing must show union label wherever possible. Bowlers must wear uniform shirts at ABC tournament. Gold medals offered for highest individual and team games in league competition.
- 1907—Abe Langtry elected secretary. Arrangements made for scheduling two-man and individual events in advance; previously only teams were scheduled and minor events arranged for at the tournament.
- 1908—All three games of any event must be rolled on one pair of alleys.
- 1909—Each team must bring at least one bowling ball to the ABC tournament.
- 1910—Two men rolled 300 games and had to roll off for the season's high game gold medal. Hereafter all 300 bowlers to be awarded gold medals. A bowler rolling a willful gutter ball must be removed from competition. Scoreboards must be in public view. ABC tournament schedule maker must be blindfolded when drawing entries out of box. Proxies prohibited in city association meetings.
- 1911—Allow 33 1/3 per cent of entry money to ABC for tournament expenses.
- 1912—No rule changes.
- 1913—"Dodo" ball ruled out, although legislation was not specific defining a "dodo." Annual financial report to be published.
- 1914—Three ounces set as limit of tolerance between sides of a ball. All ABC tournament medals must weigh 25 pwts. of 14 K. gold.
- 1915—First-place ties in ABC tournament must be settled by three-game roll-off instead of one game.



Some 42 years ago, at the 1908 ABC tournament in Cincinnati, these pin men, the Bond Bowling Club of Columbus, uncorked a 2927 series to take the international title. At the top are "Kip" Selbach and Herman Collin; second row, C. Seifert, Sponsor C. A. Bond and J. Selbach. Phil Thill and C. Balz are at the bottom. Incidentally, their 2927 total was the first 2900 set rolled in the ABC.

- 1916—Bowlers limited to membership on one team only in any one league. ABC officers prohibited from presenting medals or trophies. Secretary's term established at 10 years.
- 1917—Judge Howard, Chicago, devised present-day simplified entry blank for tournaments. No entry fee can be charged for all events.
- 1918—ABC voted \$400 to YMCA, K of C. and Red Cross.
- 1919—Sweepstakes to be permitted on ABC tournament alleys after regular schedule is finished; participants limited to teams from host city. Limit voting power of host city to 20 per cent of all delegates present and voting at convention.
- 1920—Congress rejects proposed increase of team dues to \$1.25.
- 1921—Tolerances for bowling ball balance set at 3 ounces between top and bottom, one ounce between sides. Two alley operators cannot roll on same team of two men or more.
- 1922—Secretary prohibited from investing in a "tournament company." Dues increased to \$1.25 per team.
- 1923—Dues lowered to \$1 per team. Substitutions permitted in tournaments.
- 1924—Affidavit necessary for substitution. Gambling firms prohibited from sponsoring sanctioned bowling teams.
- 1925—Fibre kickbacks, permitted. Penalize willful fouling on first ball.
- 1926—Raise secretary's salary to \$10,000 per year. Set surplus fund at \$20,000. Created moral support sanctions.
- 1927—Fouls can be called by mutual consent of rival captains. Bar promotion of all world's championships other than those of ABC. Set \$25 limit on individual entry fees and \$125 on team fees. ABC tournament must be conducted on new alleys.
- 1928—Gambling prohibited in league and tournament bowling. Bowlers can be barred for "moral delinquency."
- 1929—Bowlers can be barred for competing in unsanctioned leagues or tournaments.
- 1930—New rules on starting on wrong alley. Congress assumes cost of ABC title medals.
- 1931—Surplus fund set at \$50,000.
- 1932—Immediate award of 300 medals (otherwise held for committee approval). E. H. Baumgarten appointed secretary to fill Langtry's unexpired term.
- 1933—Gold, silver and bronze rings and medals offered for 300, 299 and 298 games, respectively. Previously only medals were available. Printing of an official publication ordered. Annual resurfacing of alleys held in abeyance for one year. Official weight of pins established at 3 pounds to 3 pounds, 8 ounces. Congress agrees to bond league treasurers.
- 1934—Booster teams admitted to ABC tournament from any city in host state.
- 1935—Team reservations to ABC tournament expire Jan. 15; entry deadline Feb. 1.
- 1936—ABC gave \$1000 to Red Cross for relief of Louisville flood sufferers. Booster teams to be admitted from any state.
- 1937—Congress agreed to assist in defraying cost of tournament decorations; rejected proposed \$10 ABC tournament entry fee.
- 1938—Medals to be awarded booster team rolling highest score in ABC tournament. Congress share of tournament decorations must be considered as standing pins. Bar usage of foreign substances on runway.
- 1939—One delegate allowed for 100 ABC sanctioned teams. Require annual alley certification. Adopt seven-year rotating plan for ABC tournaments. East can have tournament twice in seven years, Central three times; Trans-Mississippi and Western once each. Tournaments to be awarded two years in advance.
- 1940—First place team prize in ABC tournament increased from \$1000 to \$1500; doubles from \$500 to \$600.
- 1941—All teams, leagues and establishments in armed services of United States to receive free ABC sanction and certification.
- 1942—All except national, city and state tournaments must return 100 per cent of entry fee as prizes. Operator allowing gambling in his establishment can have certificate withdrawn; leagues to lose sanction if they remain at such location. Tie games must be rolled off at once. 1943 tournament postponed.
- 1943-1945—War-time conferences of ABC officials; emergency measures adopted.

Lellinger Named to ABC Executive Board

Julie V. Lellinger, who piloted the famed Birk Bros. team to two World's Bowling Championships, has been appointed an executive director of the American Bowling Congress for the Chicago area.

Born in Chicago, Lellinger has always been active in sports—baseball, golf, fishing and, of course, bowling.



TO ALL former members of the American Bowling Congress who have made the supreme sacrifice in World War II, this Memorial is humbly dedicated.

Casualties previously reported.....234
Casualties reported in this issue..... 5

| Name | League | City-State |
|--------------|---|--------------------|
| Fred Garton* | Various Long Beach Leagues | Long Beach, Calif. |
| Leroy Homan* | Trenton "A" League | Trenton, N. J. |
| James Mohn* | Church, Manufacturers and Berks Major Leagues | Reading, Pa. |
| John Wood* | Berks Major and West Lawn Leagues | West Lawn, Pa. |
| Arthur Teal* | "850" and "900" Leagues | Janesville, Wis. |

*Denotes Service in U. S. Army.

Rated as one of the best team captains in the country, he and his mates bowled the first 1100 game (their score was 1102) in the 1917 ABC tournament at Grand Rapids. They took the five-man crown that year, and repeated in 1938 at Chicago when they set the all-time three-game mark of 3234. So hard does he work exhorting the men on his team to "give their all" that he has earned for himself the title of "Chief Bleeding Tongue."

For many years Lellinger has been an official of both the Chicago and Illinois State Bowling Associations.

"300" Shooters Featured in St. Louis Pin Meet

One thousand fans jammed Nelson Burton's pin palace in St. Louis on Sept. 15 to watch Bill Brownstein and

Tom Caito win the doubles competition among the "300" bowlers, one of the events on the program to celebrate the close of Bowling Week there. Brownstein contributed 213 pins to the winning 403 total.

Second place went to Bill Link (168) and Elmer Seilers (222) with a score of 390. A. C. Jellison, the first St. Louis pinman to win an ABC medal back in 1908, teamed with Art Rothwell, a 1915 ABC medal winner, to take third spot with 383. B. Zahnow won the singles event, rolling 236.

Fifty-two St. Louis bowlers who have had perfect games to their credit, in sanctioned league or tournament competition, participated in the sweeper.

Match games between stars of each team competing in the Greater St. Louis All-Star and Major City circuits wound up the program.



1945-46 CALENDAR OF REGULAR SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

| City | Name | Entries Close |
|------------------|--|---------------|
| Chicago, Ill. | Chicago Printcraft 3rd Ann. George Hendrickson, Secy., 3032 N. Seminary Ave., Chicago 13, Ill. | Jan. 5, 1946 |
| Chicago, Ill. | Original Gold Coast Hdcp. 20th Ann. R. E. McIntyre, Mgr., 1726 Clybourn Ave., Chicago, Ill. | Dec. 10, 1945 |
| Hammond, Ind. | South Suburban 8th Ann. Five-Man Sweepstakes. George Blummer, Mgr., 1024 Drackert St., Hammond, Ind. | Nov. 16, 1945 |
| Redkey, Ind. | Jay Co. Merchant's 8th Ann. Charles Wilkinson, Mgr., Redkey, Ind. | Nov. 17, 1945 |
| Bay City, Mich. | Northeastern Michigan Lutheran 2nd Ann. Roy E. Martens, Secy., 606 37th St., Bay City, Mich. | Dec. 16, 1945 |
| Detroit, Mich. | K. of C. Metropolitan B. A. of Detroit. John Skladzien, Secy., 6411 Orchard, Dearborn, Mich. | Nov. 17, 1945 |
| Detroit, Mich. | Lutheran 17th Ann. Hdcp. and Over Average. Arthur W. Keck, Secy., 5416 Martin Ave., Detroit 10, Mich. | Dec. 17, 1945 |
| St. Paul, Minn. | Minnesota State Bowling Association. H. R. Haire, Secy., 823 20th Ave., N. E., Minneapolis, Minn. | Jan. 20, 1946 |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | 43rd American Bowling Congress World's Championships. E. H. Baumgarten, Secy., 2200 N. 3rd St., Milwaukee 12, Wis. | Feb. 1, 1946 |
| Canton, Ohio | Y. M. C. A. Open Handicap. D. Q. Vaughan, Mgr., 1215 17th N.W., Canton, Ohio | Nov. 24, 1945 |
| Sebring, Ohio | Northeast Ohio Elks B. A. 5th Ann. Paul D. Smith, Secy., 534½ N. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio | Dec. 9, 1945 |
| Toledo, Ohio | Central States 27th Annual. W. J. Mattison, Secy., 3311 Gallatin Rd., Toledo, Ohio | Nov. 18, 1945 |
| Yankton, S. D. | Yankton Press and Dakotan. C. E. Walters, Mgr., 319 Walnut St., Yankton, S. D. | Jan. 16, 1946 |
| Maryville, Tenn. | Tennessee Valley Handicap. E. D. Johnson, Secy., 401 Perkins St., Alcoa, Tenn. | Feb. 1, 1946 |

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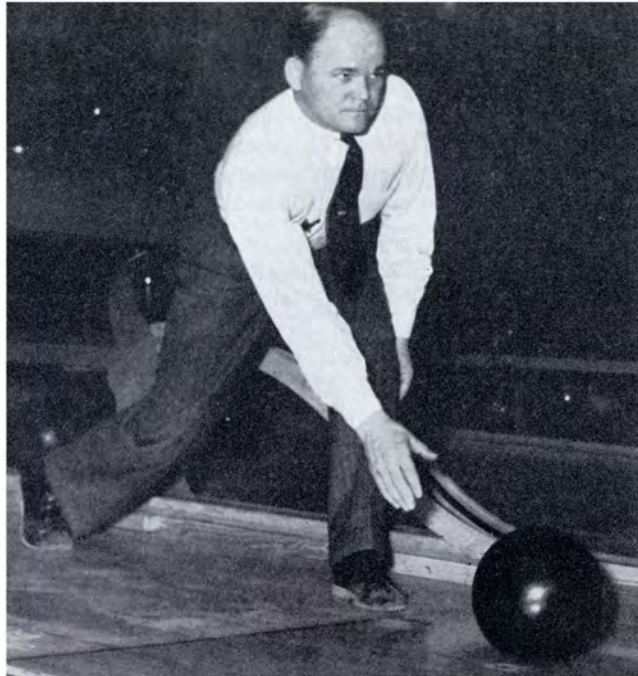
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CHICAGO'S Classic League

▼ By JACK RIPPLE

Popular "GI" Joe Wilman, pilot of the 1942 ABC championship Budweiser team, has rejoined the Classic league as captain of the Monarch squad.

the circuit becoming nationally known as an aggregation which has spawned a great number of bowling luminaries in competitive shooting. Let's look at the record.

In the 1944 All-Star meet, four of the five seeded finalists into this year's event were Classic leaguers. Among the maple maulers you'll find Buddy Bomar, the only bowler besides Ned Day who ever held two of the three national match game titles. He is a member of Kay Daumit's

WHEN it comes to the spectacular in tenpin bowling, let's look in on the Classic league of Chicago . . . it's officials and its members, past and present.

Ever since that wheel's inception 13 years ago, it has adhered strictly to the one idea behind its creation, that of publicizing the principles and advantages of the game of tenpins with respect to health, exercise, fun, diversion, companionship and sportsmanship.

The Classic league was originated by a group of proprietors during the height of a campaign to establish bowling on a solid basis with mass appeal. At that time the operators realized their efforts to further interest in the game through the recognized channels of publicity and promotion, i. e., the printed word and verbal blast were fine, but still incomplete. Something more forceful was needed to hold the attention of

prospective bowlers and create a real desire to bowl.

With an indefinable something tugging at their thinking caps one of them saw the solution in the fact that most people are eye-minded rather than ear-minded. People then, as now, were impressed more by a practical demonstration than by a verbal or written description. With this in mind they formed a league in which only the very best bowlers of Chicago would participate and travel throughout the city as "good will" ambassadors. They officially called it the "Classic."

The cream of local kegelers studied its roster and from then on none but the best could participate in the Classic set up, which has resulted in

WITH a 12-strike blast, Classic leaguer Joe Traubenik turned in the season's first ABC-recognized 300 score. A former member of the Budweisers' team, 1942 ABC champs, Traubenik uncorked the perfect stanza on Sept. 13, while rolling with the Kay Daumit White Shirt Colognes. His other games, 214 and 157, added to the perfect tally gave him a 671 count for the night.

White Shirt Colognes. The five-man line-up of the former Budweiser quint, 1942 ABC tournament champions are also in the league, but scattered on various rosters. Joe Wilman who captained the "Bud's" to the title now pilots the Monarch Beers . . . Johnny

In the lower panel, the captains of five Classic league teams swing into action. Left to right, John Petri (Mobilgas), Art Butler (Washington Shirts), "Doc" Hattstrom (Jiffy-Ball Kleen), Leo Faetz (Kay Daumit White Shirt Cologne), Paul Krumske (Meister

Brau). Other captain-sponsor combinations include Jerry Skovie (Prima), Rudy Boedecker (Chapin & Gire), Jake Hansen (Sunkist Pies), Al Bartoch (National Bowling Equipment), Eddie Krems (Thompson's Restaurant), and Russ Creamer (Congress Arcade).



Small is also on the Monarch roster . . . George Theel is with Prima Beer . . . Bill Hargadon checks in with Meister Brau and Joe Traubenik makes his appearance with the White Shirt Cologne quint. Herb Freitag, Joe Sinke, Paul Krumske, Frank Kartheiser and Ad Carlson are a few other luminaries on the Classic roster.

Despite the enviable reputation the league has earned for its high percentage of kegeling celebrities, the original policy still remains its watchword. To carry on their campaign as bowling stimulators year after year their schedule has been patterned on the travelling circuit basis, an educational troupe, appearing in a different establishment each week. Naturally, they have attracted the highest type of sponsorship, firms that are leaders in their respective fields.

This season, however, the method of operation has undergone a drastic change in an effort to create additional spectator appeal. Instead of appearing in a different house for each match, they are confining their shooting to only four plants. They have also reverted back to the two-division set up, with the pin blasting taking place every Tuesday and Thursday evening instead of a straight Wednesday night schedule. The 12 teams have been split into two six-unit sections, with each group bowling in a separate establishment on Tuesdays, and following the same procedure on Thursday evenings, rotating throughout the 36-week schedule.

Art Butler wields the gavel as presiding officer of the circuit; Paul Krumske is first vice president; Rudy Habetler, second vice president; Jerry Skovie, treasurer, and Jules Sowa, secretary.

Cleveland Official Dies Suddenly

John Cornell, 61, a past-president of the Cleveland Bowling Association, died Sept. 9.

Elected to the CBA executive board of directors in 1927, Cornell progressed through the various chairs to become president of the ABC affiliate in Cleveland in 1938. After serving the maximum term of two years, he was placed on the advisory committee of the Cleveland Bowling Association, where he served faithfully.

An employe of the Cowell & Hubbard Jewelry Co. for 45 years, Cornell held the position of diamond buyer and appraiser.

Here We go Again — and How!

BVL SCORES A TOUCHDOWN WITH GIFT OF FOOTBALL GUIDES TO SERVICEMEN

WHEN, as Rudyard Kipling so aptly put it, "the tumult and the shouting dies; the Captains and the Kings depart"—then the mercury in the thermometer of patriotism traditionally sneaks toward the bottom.

But through the Bowlers Victory Legion the bowlers of America are putting forth a peace-time effort based as firmly on patriotism as their war time enterprise. Some of the Americans wounded in World War II will remain in service hospitals for many months; others even for years, as witness the thousands from the first great conflict still in domiciliary hospitals.

Thousands of Yanks must also remain abroad for an undetermined period and, to quote Col. Theodore Bank, president of the American Athletic Institute: "When the war

human of all contributions to gridiron literature, were in the hands of convalescents in all of the 196 service hospitals. Overseas shipments accounted for the distribution of another 25,000.

Through a quick arrangement with the publishers, Charles C. Spink & Son of St. Louis, famous for the production of sports publications, the BVL bought the first 100,000 copies off the press. J. G. Taylor Spink, who compiled the book in collaboration with a half dozen noted football authorities, made the first run a BVL edition. Besides the back cover, four full pages were devoted to the Bowlers Victory Legion.

Gift of the football guides was the first major move in the BVL's new program. Your contributions will assist in expanding upon this service to servicemen.

DATED SEPT. 8, 1945, from the Office of the Commanding General, Headquarters, U. S. Forces, European Theater, the following letter of BVL endorsement was received by Rod Thomas, Bowlers Victory Legion public relations director:

"Dear Mr. Thomas:

"Any organization that has the welfare of our Veterans as its purpose for existence can be sure of my enthusiastic and continued support. From letters I have seen written by General Byron and General Brooks, I find that the Bowlers Victory Legion is doing just this and so I write this letter to wish you every success.

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"Again, my best wishes.

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ends the demands for sports and recreational equipment will be tripled and quadrupled." Already it has been proven that the Colonel, who made that prediction last season, was a true prophet.

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Brooklyn Operator Heads New York Proprietors

Fred P. Madeo, co-owner of the Bell Recreation in Brooklyn, has been elected president of the New York State Bowling Proprietors' Association, succeeding Alexander Wino, New York City. The operators, in session at Utica, named William Goff, Syracuse, and Harry Nearing, Binghamton, as vice presidents, and William Beatti, New York City, secretary-treasurer.

Action was taken by the NYSBPA to affiliate with the National Bowling Proprietors' Association of America. Secretary Eddie Linsz, Cleveland, was present at the Utica meeting to explain the benefits accruing from membership in the national group.

Missourians First "on the line" for ABC Meet

The first paid-in-full entry for the 1946 American Bowling Congress tournament at Buffalo was received from Sam Furman, captain of Dr. Shockey's Optical team, Kansas City, Mo. The Opticians roll in the fast K. C. All-Star wheel, and will appear at the 74th Regiment Armory in the Bison City on April 3rd.

Runners-up honors are shared by Ainslie's Five and Lloyd's Grill of the Binghamton (N. Y.) City league, scheduled at Buffalo on April 26. Earl Reno, Johnson City, N. Y., remitted entry fees for the two quints to cover his reservation.

Baseball Marathon Featured at L. A. Picnic

Los Angeles bowlers celebrated the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Congress' founding with a family picnic at North Hollywood park on Sept. 9.

Highlighting the day's activities was a softball game between Pete Rasch's Pelters and Al Matonovich's Melons, which ended in a score of 173 to 41 in favor of the Pelters. Races of all kinds were provided for the entertainment of bowlers' wives and their children.

A bowling ball, cigarettes, tickets for free bowling and merchandise awards were offered as door prizes.

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Bowling November, 1945

RECORDS ON THE ODD SIDE

Can you Tie or Beat 'em?

▼ By ELI WHITNEY

Similar Consecutive Games

In 1942, Glen Powell, Brewster, Minn., rolled games of 180, 181, 182, 183 and 184, in that order.

Consistent Three-Game Totals

Domenic Scruci, Philadelphia, Pa., totaled 618, 618, 618 and 618 during four successive weeks of league play.

Best "Triplicate"

Jan. 21, 1938—Erle Sheperd, Pla-Mor Recreation, Kansas City, had three consecutive 257 games for a 771 series.

Most Dutch 200 Games in a Season

1943-44 Season—William Morland of Detroit rolled three Dutch 200's.

Gutter Balls—Most in One Game

1944-45 Season—After connecting for his first 200 game, a 206, Al C. Fifer, Detroit, "poodled" eight consecutive balls. As a result, his next score was 53.

High Single Game—Team Tied and Lost

Oct., 1939—The Barbasol team of Indianapolis totaled 1205 to tie their opponents, but lost the game in the roll-off.

Most Years in One Establishment

The Bon Ton league, Cincinnati, scheduled their games for 33 years at Heimerdinger Recreation.

Longest Terms of Office for Secretaries

(To the end of the 1944-45 Season)

32 years—Walter Juergensen, Stanolind league, Chicago.

29 years—John T. Henry, Ascension Club league, Minneapolis.

Heaviest Bowling Teams

1901-02—Kreutz and Quer team, New York, weighed 1400 pounds.

1901-02—Greater New York Five, New York, weighed 1390 pounds.

1943-44—Newman Council, Northside K. of C. league, Chicago, weighed 1165 pounds.

Most Pins Over Average

Nov. 19, 1943—Anthony Debelak, a 157-average bowler, totaled 772 in the Inland Steel Container Co. league of Chicago. That three-game set was 301 sticks over his season's average.

Fouls—Most in One Game

Sept. 12, 1945—Art Lundberg, in the Seattle(Wash.) Boilermaker league, fouled nine times.

Southpaw League

In the autumn of 1942 a 10-team league was organized in Detroit for left-handers only.

Perfect Games by Husband and Wife

J. J. Doyle, Staten Island, N. Y., rolled a 300 game in 1943; Mrs. Doyle had previously scored a perfect game in March, 1942.

Successive Doubles Titles

Joe Fliger, paired with veteran Harry Steers, captured the two-man event of the 1938 Chicago Bowling Association tournament. Fliger repeated in 1939, 1940 and 1941, with Bud Wright as his partner.

Split Conversions to Win Games

On Oct. 22, 1940, and again on Jan. 21, 1941, Bob Champion, Mt. Vernon, Ill., chopped down the "Big Four" to enable his team to win by one stick. Both conversions were made in the last frame.

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